

DISTANCES ON THE PATHS WESTWARD, ACCORDING TO JOHN HARRIS

There were several paths westward from the eastern portion of the province. John Harris, who had been westward prior to 1754, notices the following points, with the intermediate distances:

From my Ferry* to George Croghad's (Croghan's), 5 miles; to Kittatinny mountains, 9; Thos. Mitchell's sleeping place, 3; Tuscarora, 14; Cove Spring, 10; Shadow of Death, 8; Black Log, 3 – 66 miles to this point. The road forks to Raystown† and Frankstown; we continued to Raystown.

To the Three Springs, 10; Sidling Hill Gap, 8; Juniata Hill, 8; Crossings at Juniata, 8; Snake's Spring, 8; Raystown, 4; Shawana cabins, 8; Allegheny hill, 6; Edmund's swamp, 8; Stony Creek, 6; Kicheney Paulin's house‡ (Indian), 6; Clearfield's,§ 7; to the other side of Laurel hill, 5; Loyal Hanning, 6; Big Bottom, 8; Chestnut Ridge, 8; to the parting of the roads, 4; thence one road leads to Shanoppintown,|| the other to Kiscomenttas Old Town¶ – to Big Lick, 3; Beaver Dams, 6; James dunning's sleeping place, 8; Cockeye's cabin, 8; Four Mile run, 11; Shanoppintown, on Allegheny river, 4; to Logstown down the river, 18; distance down the old road, 246 miles.”

“Now beginning at the Black Log – Frankstown road to Aughwick, 6; Jack Armstrong's Narrows (so called from hi being murdered there), 8; Standing Stone (about 14 feet high and 6 inches square), 10; at each of the last places we crossed Juniata – the next and last crossing of Juniata, 8; Branch of Juniata, 10; Big Lick, 10; Frank's (Stephen's) town, 5; Beaver dams, 10; Allegheny hill, 4; Clearfields, 6; John Hart's sleeping place, 12; Shawanese cabins,** 24; Shaver's sleeping place at two licks, †† 12; Eighteen Mile run, 12; Ten Mile Lick, 6; to Kiscomenettas‡‡ town on the creek which runs into the Allegheny river six miles down, almost as large as Schuylkill, 10; Chartier's landing on the Allegheny, 8;” &c.§§

* Near the present site of Harrisburg.

† Bedford.

‡ Site of Johnstown.

§ The Wheatfields, now East Wheatfield township and vicinity.

|| At or near the site of Pittsburgh.

¶ Not far from Leechburg.

** Near Cherrytree or Canoe Place, Indian country.

†† Two Licks, Green township, Indiana county, at or near the forks of Two Lick.

‡‡ At or near the site of Leechburg, Armstrong.

§§ J. D. Ropp in History of Cumberland and other counties.